

EMAKIKER GRANT FOR FEMALE POLYMER SCIENTISTS

Basque Center for Macromolecular Design and Engineering-POLYMAT Fundazioa (www.polymat.eu) is a research center based in Donostia-San Sebastian associated to the University of the Basque Country. It is devoted to use-inspired fundamental research on synthesis, assembly and processing of polymers.

EMAKIKER grants are aimed at excellent female researchers at postdoc level wishing to explore creative, high risk&high reward directions. The candidate(s) should show potential for an academic career and aspire to a professorship at POLYMAT. EMAKIKER grant should enable female researchers to acquire independence and scientific autonomy and to sharpen their profile for the next career step. They will lead a research project, working independently and managing their own team.

An EMAKIKER grant comprises the grantee's salary and project funds for a duration of up to 5 years and the offer of a mentoring network. With this generously endowed grant, the promoted researcher should be able to enhance her academic profile.

EMAKIKER applicants meet the following requirements:

- They have a doctorate (PhD) or an equivalent qualification with experience in polymer science.
- They have acquired at least two years' research experience after their doctorate in an international institution.
- They submit their application between two and six years after obtaining their doctoral degree or equivalent qualification. The relevant date is that of the examination or PhD defense and justified exceptions will be considered.

POLYMAT intends to award 1-2 grants each year to excellent women researchers.

Resumes and a 2-page summary of the innovative research project should be sent to info@polymat.eu with mention to the reference: **EMAKIKER GRANT**

The proposals will be evaluated upon receipt of the submissions. **Applications will be accepted until June 30th 2022** but the call may be closed before if available positions are filled.

Please note that *because of the large number of applications expected*, we will not be able to give individual *feedback* to unsuccessful applications.